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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Menno Kalmann and Franciscus Moll	Attorney Docket No.: VASC 1000-12 US
Application No.: 09/691,817	Examiner: David J Isabella
Filed: 18 October 2000	Group: 3738
Title: ASSEMBLY FOR TREATING BLOOD VESSELS AND A METHOD THEREFOR	Confirmation No.: 5259

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
(Resubmitted 17 March 2004)**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 19 November 2003, and the Advisory Action mailed 5 March 2004, please amend this application as follows.

Enclosed is a Petition for a one-month extension of time from 19 February 2004 through 19 March 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are on page 2 of this paper. These amendments are made pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.173 (b)(2).

REMARKS begin on page 3 of this paper.

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